IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1.   (*Currently Amended*) A data production apparatus comprising:

a condition setting portion configured to set a condition used to select a title to be registered in a play list among a plurality of titles recorded on a recording medium;

a retrieval portion configured to retrieve a title corresponding to a condition set by the condition setting portion by making reference to management information recorded on the storage medium; ~~and~~

a registration portion configured to register a title retrieved by the retrieval portion in the play list; and

an upper limit value setting portion configured to set an upper limit value of the number of titles to be registered in the play list,

wherein the registration portion restricts the number of titles to be registered in the play list based on the upper limit value set by the upper limit setting portion, and

wherein the registration portion selects titles retrieved by the retrieval portion in a recorded order and registers them in the play list, the number of which titles does not exceed the upper limit value.

2. – 3. (*Canceled*)

4.   (*Currently Amended*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1 ~~2~~, further comprising:

a title setting portion configured to set a title which is reproduced at first in play list reproduction among titles retrieved by the retrieval portion,

wherein the registration portion selects titles retrieved by the retrieval portion in a recorded order, the number of which titles does not exceed the upper limit, from titles set by the title setting portion, and registers them in the play list.

5.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set a date and time at which a title is recorded on the recording medium as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

6.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set a day on which a title is recorded on the recording medium as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

7.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set a time at which a title is recorded on the recording medium as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

8.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set a channel through which a title is broadcast as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

9.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set a title name as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

10.   (*Original*) A data reproduction apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the condition setting portion can set arbitrary information for each title as a condition used to select a title to be registered in the play list.

11.   (*Currently Amended*) A data reproduction method comprising:
setting a condition used to select titles to be registered in a play list among a plurality of titles recorded on a recording medium;
retrieving titles corresponding to a set condition by making reference to management information recorded on the recording medium; ~~and~~
registering retrieved titles in the play list; and
setting an upper limit value of the number of titles to be registered in the play list,
wherein the number of titles to be registered in the play list is restricted based on the set upper limit value, and
wherein the number of retrieved titles which does not exceed the upper limit value are selected in a recorded order and registered in the play list.

12. – 13. (*Canceled*)

14.   (*Currently Amended*) A data reproduction method according to claim 11 ~~12~~, further comprising:

setting a title which is reproduced at first in play list reproduction among retrieved titles,

wherein the number of retrieved titles which does not exceed the upper limit value are selected in a recorded order from set titles and registered in the play list.